Abstract

The present invention relates to a simple process for preparing alkyl-substituted indenes of the formula (II) in improved yields from indenes of the formula (I) by reaction with compounds of the formula (III), to the alkyl-substituted indenes prepared in this way and to the use of these for the preparation of metallocenes for highly active polymerization catalysts.

$$Y_{n}$$
 Y_{n}^{2}

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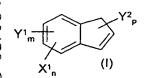
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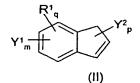
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